

Exhibit 59



Regulatory Issue

National Toxicology Program (NTP)

- Coordinates Interagency Toxicological Testing
- Publishes Report on Carcinogens (RoC)
- Minimal Threshold for Carcinogenic Listing
- Listing Triggers OSHA and Prop 65 Labeling
- Conducted Talc Inhalation Study on Rodents
- Nominated Talc for Review in 2000

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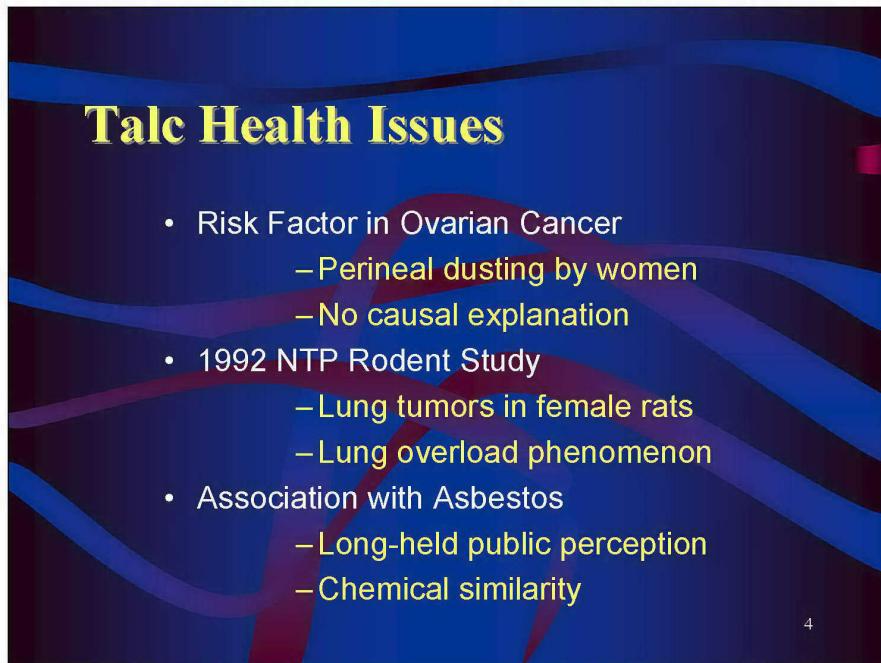
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NTP Listing Consequences

- Immediate Loss of Personal Care Market
 - \$10,000,000 in Year 1
- Deterioration of all Markets due to Labeling
 - 20 to 50% of remaining sales year 3
- Regulated as a Carcinogen Worldwide
- Talc Litigation likely to Proliferate

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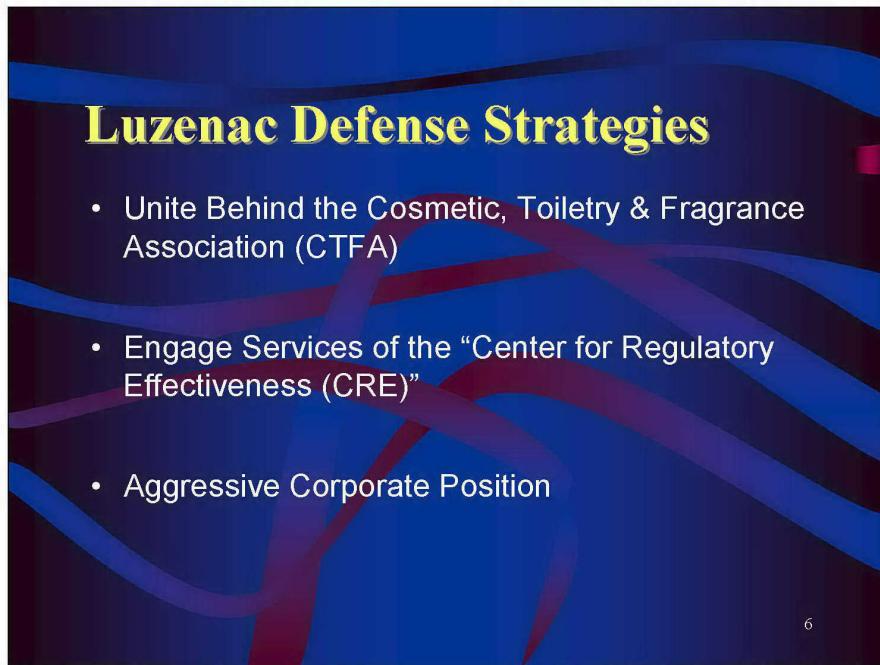
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NTP Talc Review Summary

- Review Group 1 voted 6-1 *to List* Talc
 - Cited ovarian studies and NTP Rodent study
- Review Group 2 voted 7-1 *to List* Talc
 - Cited ovarian studies and NTP Rodent study
- BSC Subcommittee Voted 7-3 *Not to List* Talc
 - Influenced by industry comments and criticisms of NTP Report on Talc
- NTP Exe. Committee Defers Vote on Talc
 - Remands issue back to NTP reviewers

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OUTLOOK

- Deferral Due to “Fatal Flaws” in Draft Report
- Temporary “Rerieve” for 2-3 Years
- Insist Upon the Need for Additional Studies
- Updates on Gertig et al. Study of 76,630 U.S. Women - No Increased Risk with Talc Usage
- Re-examine Prior Epidemiology Studies - Negative Dose Response?
- IARC Re-examination of Talc a Possibility

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